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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name;

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE INFORMATION RETENTION FILE FORMAT FOR OBJECT FILES

the specification of which (check one)

X is attached hereto.

_____ was filed on _____

as Application Serial No. _____

and was amended on _____ (if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56.

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119(a)-(d) or Section 365(b) of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate, or Section 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate or PCT International application having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Priority Claimed

None

(Number)

(Country)

Yes No

(Day/Month/Year Filed)

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) or Section 365(c) of any PCT International application designating the United States, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT International application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56, which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application:

None

(Application Serial No.)

(Filing Date)

(Status) (patented, pending, abandoned)

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: L.D. Baumgart, J.R. Ehrman, R.E. Lee Examiner: N/A
Serial No.: N/A Group Art Unit: N/A
Filed: Filed With the Application Docket No.: ST9-97-054
TITLE: EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE INFORMATION RETENTION FILE FORMAT
FOR OBJECT FILES

DECLARATION OF BARBARA ANN LEE
ON BEHALF OF DECEASED INVENTOR

I, BARBARA ANN LEE, declare and state as follows:

1. I am the surviving spouse of Richard E. Lee, who passed away on November 22, 1996. A copy of his death certificate is attached hereto.

2. There was never, nor to my knowledge will there ever be, a legal representative (executor, administrator, etc.) appointed as the representative of Richard Lee because property rights transferred according to a Family Trust, thereby avoiding probate of the estate.

3. I am the executor and trustee of the Family Trust established to distribute the property of Richard Lee.

4. To the best of my knowledge Richard Lee is a co-inventor of the above referenced patent application entitled "EXTENDED ATTRIBUTE INFORMATION RETENTION FILE FORMAT FOR OBJECT FILES."

PLEASE NOTE:

*DATE OF DEATH, AS
TYPED, IS INCORRECT.
IT SHOULD READ*

11/21/96

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Dated: 4/18/00

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**DECLARATION OF DAVID VICTOR CONCERNING
ASSIGNMENT BY DECEASED INVENTOR**

I, David W. Victor, declare and state as follows:

1. I am a patent attorney representing International Business Machines Corporation (IBM) in the filing and prosecution of the above referenced patent application.

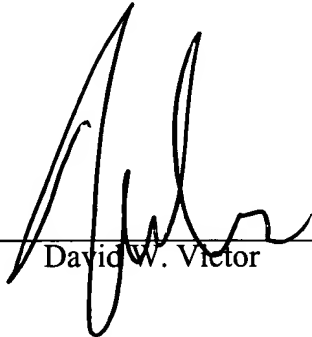
2. Attached hereto is a copy of a death certificate for Richard E. Lee, a deceased co-inventor in the above referenced case.

3. Attached hereto is a copy of the "Employee Information and Invention Agreement" signed by Richard Lee on February 28, 1996. Pursuant to Paragraph 4, Michael Paulsen assigned his entire right title and interest in any invention or idea, patentable or not, conceived while working at IBM. Based on this paragraph, Richard Lee assigned his rights in the above referenced patent application to IBM.

3. To the best of my knowledge Richard E. Lee is a co-inventor of the above referenced patent application entitled "Extended Attribute Information Retention File Format For Object Files"

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. I further declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true.

Dated: April 24, 2000



David W. Victor